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SUBJECT: SPECIAL HOTEL BEEF QUOTA

1. OUR INFORMATION INDICATES SPECIAL HOTEL BEEF IMPORT
QUOTA OF 1,000 MT FOR CURRENT JAPAN FISCAL YEAR (4/1/74-3/30/75)
NOT YET FULFILLED DESPITE RECENT DEPRESSED US PRICES FOR THIS
TYPE BEEF. IS THIS TRUE? IF SO, WHY? WHAT IS RECORD RE
FULFILLMENT THIS QUOTA IN PAST YEARS?

2. WE HAVE REASON TO SUSPECT THAT FULFILLMENT THIS QUOTA IS
SUBSTANTIALLY HINDERED BY FOLLOWING POSSIBLE FACTORS:

(A) JAPANESE HOTEL ASSOCIATION HAS THE SPECIAL HOTEL BEEF
IMPORT DIRECTLY UNDER THIS QUOTA; BUT NEITHER THE ASSOCIATION
NOR MEMBER HOTELS WILL IMPORT DIRECTLY UNDER THIS QUOTA. THIS
IS BECAUSE OF PROBLEMS IT WOULD CAUSE FOR HOTELS IN THEIR
TRADING RELATIONS WITH THE JAPANESE MEAT WHOLESALERS CONCERNING
KOBE BEEF AND OTHER DOMESTIC/IMPORT MEAT ITEMS THEY PURCHASE
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FROM THESE WHOLESALERS AND THE WHOLESALERS CREDIT EXTENSION.

(B) JAPANESE MEAT WHOLESALERS RELUCTANT TO
USE THIS SPECIAL QUOTA BECAUSE THEY MUST REQUEST IT FROM A HOTEL
AND THE HOTEL ASSOCIATION; AND IN DOING THIS THE WHOLESALER
OFTEN INCURS UNDESIRE OBLIGATION TO THE HOTEL CONCERNING HIS
OTHER SALES TO THE HOTEL AND HIS EXTENSION OF CREDIT TO THEM.

IS OUR SUSPICION CORRECT. KISSINGER

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